



2014 R-SPEC Meeting Calendar

All topics are subject to change without prior notice. Go to www.r-spec.org for the current meeting topic.

Location and Time Meetings are on the **first Tuesday of each month** at **Barnes & Noble, 3349 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618**. The meeting runs from 7 to 9 p.m.
(Unless otherwise noted)

Month	Topics and Activities	Date
January	Reading Meeting Moderator: Alan Vincent Michaels	01-07-2014
February	Publishing Your Story or Novel / R-SPEC Annual Meeting Open group discussion Moderators: Alan Vincent Michaels (Publishing); Alicia Henn (R-SPEC Annual Meeting)	02-04-2014
March	R-SPEC Activities Open Forum / What Are We Writing & What's Working? Presenter: Alan Vincent Michaels	03-04-2014
April	Therapeutic Organogenesis: Stem Cells and Growing Organs in the Lab Presenter: Alicia Henn, Chief Scientific Officer of BioSpherix	04-01-2014
May	Reading Meeting Moderator: Alan Vincent Michaels	05-06-2014
June	Far-Out Tech: How SF Tech Has Transformed Our World Moderator: Alan Vincent Michaels	06-03-2014
July	Reading Meeting Moderator: Alan Vincent Michaels	07-01-2014
August	The Future of Manned Space Exploration (Part II) Presenter: Frank Glover	08-05-2014
September	Flash Fiction Writing Workshop and NaNoWriMo Reading Moderator: TBD	09-02-2014
October	Dialogue and Narrative in Your Stories and Dramatic Presentations Presenter/Moderator: TBD	10-07-2014
November	Reading Meeting Moderator: Alan Vincent Michaels	11-04-2014
December	No scheduled R-SPEC group meeting	Social or Workshop Event(s) TBD



SF and Fantasy Awards Information

Writing Awards

- **Nebula Awards**
 - Nomination ballots available on or about January 15, 2014. Deadline for nominations is February 15, 2014. Active SFWA members may vote from March 1 to March 30, 2014. [Voting info](#).
 - **Ceremony:** May 17, 2014 in San Jose, CA (Nebula Awards Weekend is at the San Jose Marriott, San Jose, California, May 15 to 18, 2014) [More info](#).
- **Hugo Awards**
 - The award nominees and winners are chosen by supporting and attending members of the annual Worldcon. Nominations are made by the members in January through March, and ballot voting is typically in April through July. More info about the [Hugo Awards](#) (official site) and Loncon 3 [Hugo Awards](#) page.
 - **Ceremony:** August 17, 2014 at Loncon 3 (72nd World Science Fiction Convention, August 14 to 18, 2014) in London, UK (ExCeL Centre) [More info](#).
- **World Fantasy Awards**
 - Nominated and winning works are chosen by a panel of judges, with the exception of two nominees picked by World Fantasy Convention members. [More info](#).
 - **Ceremony:** November 9, 2013 at WFC 2014 in Washington, D.C. (Hyatt Regency Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia, November 6 to 9, 2014)